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NINETY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION

January 8, 1997

PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10, Article III of the Constitution of Nebraska, the Ninety-Fifth Legislature, First Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the legislative hall of the Capitol Building, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 8, 1997, is called to order. We will now have a prayer by the chaplain, Harland Johnson.

HARLAND JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Chaplain. We will now have the Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska National Guard. Will the Color Guard please present the colors.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT ROBAK: I now call the first day of the legislative session to order. Will senators please record their presence. Do we have a quorum, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Madam President, voting aye, checking in-- (Read name of all legislative senators as found on page 1 of the Legislative Journal.) You do have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We will proceed to the first item of business, the resignation and appointment letters.

CLERK: Madam President, I have the resignation letter, dated April 16, from Senator David Bernard-Stevens, submitting his resignation effective September...I'm sorry, August 15, 1996. Subsequent to that letter, an official communication from the Governor's Office appointing Senator Don W. Pederson as the member from the 42nd Legislative District. In addition, I have the official oath of office, signed by Senator Pederson, and the appropriate communications from the Secretary of State's Office. (See pages 2-4 of the Legislative Journal.)